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1. CHARGE, ACCOMPANIED BY ADCM, CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER

CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN, JANUARY 22, TO BRIEF HIM ON US WESTPAC
FORCE DEPLOYMENTS PER INSTRUCTIONS REFTELS. PERMANENT UNDER
SECRETARY ANAND PANYARACHUN, POLITICAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR GENERAL
KOSON SINTHAWANON, AND AMERICAN DESK OFFICER WORAPHUT CHAIYANAM
WERE ALSO PRESENT ON THAI SIDE.

2. CHATCHAI WAS INTERESTED IN AND APPRECIATIVE OF BRIEFING,
BUT APART FROM A FEW GENERAL QUESTIONS, DID NOT COMMENT ON IT.
WE BELIEVE THIS IS A USEFUL EXERCISE TO SHOW FRIENDS LIKE
THAILAND THAT WE TAKE THEM INTO OUR CONFIDENCE AND ALSO TO
PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRESS THE CONTINUITY OF OUR
PRESENCE IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC.

3. OTHER SUBJECTS DISCUSSED REPORTED SEPTELS AND MEMCONS.
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